

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2005-217-WS - ORDER NO. 2013-15
JANUARY 15, 2013

IN RE: Application of Utilities Services of South)	ORDER APPROVING
Carolina, Inc. for Adjustment of Rates and)	PASS-THROUGH RATES
Charges and Modifications to Certain Terms)	AFTER NOTICE TO
and Conditions for the Provision of Water)	CUSTOMERS
and Sewer Service)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the request of Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. ("USSC" or the "Company") to pass bulk water charges to its customers in the Dobbins Estates, Edgebrook, Hill and Dale, Lakewood, Oakwood Estates, and Town Creek Subdivisions in Anderson County. According to USSC, this pass-through is necessary because it receives bulk water service from the Hammond Water District, which has increased its water charge to the Company. USSC states that it has not passed these requested bulk rates through to the customers in these Subdivisions, but seeks permission from this Commission to do so prospectively.

Pass-through charges are billed to the Company's customers without mark-up and are allowed by USSC's rate schedule approved by Order No. 2006-22 (January 1, 2006) in this Docket. Under Order No. 2006-22, the Company is required to follow the procedures set forth by Order No. 2002-285 (April 18, 2002) in Docket No. 2001-164-W/S for increases in the amount of purchased bulk water pass-through charges. These

procedures, found on page 9 of the tariff attached to Order No. 2002-285, obligate the Company to furnish the Commission with proof of the basis for the adjustment and billing method at least sixty (60) days prior to the proposed billing date. In addition, the procedures also obligate the Company to furnish customers with thirty (30) days prior written notice of a purchased water adjustment, which advises them of the basis for the billing adjustment and its effective date.

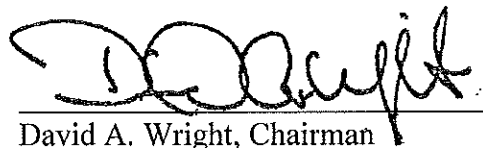
We have examined the proposed bulk water pass-through increases, and hold that the new proposed bulk water pass-through rates will become effective after the expiration of thirty (30) days notice to the customers in the named Subdivisions.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the bulk water pass-through rates in question are approved and will become effective after the expiration of thirty (30) days notice to the customers in the named Subdivisions.

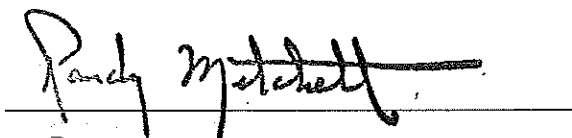
2. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



David A. Wright, Chairman

ATTEST:



Randy Mitchell, Vice Chairman
(SEAL)